



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Going On 16 CH Timber Sale, App. No. 83760, and Forest Practice Application No. 2810596. Even-aged harvest of 3,462 MBF of timber from 96 (96.3) acres. Proposal includes 1,627 feet of road construction, 200 feet of road reconstruction, up to 1,205 feet of road to be abandoned if built, and 1,400 feet of existing road to be abandoned.

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Sections 10, 11, 12, and 13 of Township 33 North, Range 5 East, W.M. Proposal is located 17.6 miles southeast of Sedro-Woolley, in Skagit County, off of S.R. 9, Lake Cavanaugh Road and BR-ML, BR-02, and BR-4602 forest roads.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from May 4, 2009. Comments must be submitted by May18, 2009.

Responsible official: William J. Wallace

Position/title: Northwest Region Manager **Phone:** 360-856-3500

Address: 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Date: _____ **Signature:** William J Wallace

There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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MITIGATED MEASURES

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Streams:

- 2 type 3 stream with a 156-foot, no-harvest buffer.
- 10 type 4 streams with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.

Wetlands:

- 1 wetland with a 100-foot no-harvest buffer.

Slope Stability:

Cliffs, unstable slopes, an inner gorge going into a type 5 stream which has slopes greater than 70%, and also convergent topography to the north of the cliff feature have been bounded out of the proposal area. Potentially unstable areas identified by a region geologist were bounded out of this proposal.

Roads:

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 1,400 feet of existing road will be abandoned after completion of use; and up to 1,205 feet of temporary road to be abandoned if built.

Recreation:

Trails within the proposal area are required to be posted as closed during harvest operations. DNR recreation foresters are informed and consulted during the pre-sale development stages, and will be included in the pre-work conference with the purchasers of the timber sale.

Green tree retention and wildlife:

An average of eight of the existing trees per acre have been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. Trees are both scattered and clumped throughout the proposed harvest area. Cliffs and talus slopes in the vicinity of the eastern most portion of Unit 2 have been bounded out of the proposal area.

Logging methods:

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.